

Town of Riverdale Park, Maryland

Status and Information Report

Report No. 19 for 2017



October 20, 2017

To Mayor Thompson and Town Council,

The goal of the Status and Information reports is to share relevant information in a timely fashion. The Status and Information Reports are distributed to the Town's elected officials, residents, and employees. Status and Information Reports are also available to businesses and visitors through the Town website. The reports are published in English and Spanish. The next Status and Information report will be published on November 3, 2017.

Upcoming Meetings:

Regular Legislative Meeting	November 6, 2017, 8:00 p.m.	Town Hall
Council Work Session	October 30, 2017, 8:00 p.m.	Town Hall

Community

- **Thank you Riverdale Park Day 2017! Sponsors:** Riverdale Park Day 2017! was a huge success! The weather was great, the music was enjoyable, and fun was had by all. We would like to thank the sponsors who made the event possible: **Old Line Bank, El Bucanas Café, Geppetto Catering Company Inc., Healthy Dental of Hyattsville, Apollo Ice, Ernie's Lock Co. Inc., Lions Club, Mark McGibbon State Farm Insurance, Megamart, Peake Technology and Riverdale Park Dental.**
- **Story Time for Pre-schoolers at Town Hall:** In partnership with Prince George's County Memorial Library System and Riverdale Park Elementary School Parent-Teacher Organization, Town Hall will host the Ready 2 Read Storytime for ages 3-5 on Thursdays starting on November 2nd. Ready 2 Read Storytime will run from 1:45 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Town Hall. This event supports the Town's vision to utilize Town Hall for purposes that support our community.

Transportation

- **Hiker – Biker / Trolley Trail:** A temporary trail route through the Riverdale Park Station will be open by the end of the month. The developer is completing necessary paving and installing a temporary fence to ensure safety while creating connectivity. Please see the attached diagram highlighting the temporary route. The final alignment providing connectivity directly through the development is planned to be open in April 2018.

- **Free Daily Shuttle:** Riverdale Park Station features a FREE daily shuttle from 6:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. It runs every 15 minutes between Riverdale Park Station, College Park Metro Station and Prince George's Plaza Metro Station. The shuttle stop is located near the main entrance to the Whole Foods Market. Use it for quick and easy access to work, shopping, recreation and regional transit. Visit www.rpstransit.com/shuttle for more details.

Environment

- **Town Receives Prestigious Sustainable Maryland Certified Award:** The Environmental Finance Center at the University of Maryland announced that the Town of Riverdale Park achieved recertification as a Sustainable Maryland Community. The Town was one of nine Maryland municipalities to originally become Sustainable Maryland Certified in 2014. The recertification effort was led by Lora Katz, Will Ardinger, Mike Culp and Greg Hitz, all members of the Riverdale Park Sustainability Committee (RPSC). RPSC will be recognized during the November 6th Mayor and Council meeting so please plan to join us in celebrating this accomplishment!
- **Bulk Trash Drop-off This Saturday:** The Saturday drop-off of bulk trash items will be held on October 21, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- **Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) Construction:** WSSC will be in the community performing repairs on sewer mains and manholes. The sewer main work was scheduled to begin on October 16th and details will be provided as they are received by the Town. The affected areas include Rhode Island Avenue, Riverdale Road and Ravenswood Road.

Community Engagement

- **Prince George's County Zoning Re-write Listening Sessions:** The Prince George's County Planning Department is seeking feedback on the Comprehensive Review Draft of the new Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations. Attend one of three Countywide Listening Sessions to learn more about the revised codes:
 - Tuesday, October 24, 2017 at the Harmony Hall Regional Center 10701 Livingston Road, Fort Washington, MD 20744 from 7:00-9:00 p.m.
 - Wednesday, October 25, 2017 at the Laurel-Beltsville Senior Activity Center, 7120 Contee Road, Laurel, MD 20707 from 7:00-9:00 p.m.
 - Thursday, October 26, 2017 at the Sports and Learning Complex, 8001 Sheriff Road, Landover, MD 20785, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
 - Comprehensive Review Drafts are available at: <http://zoningpgc.pgplanning.com/?p=2251>
 - Real-Time Feedback: <https://pgplanning.civiccomment.org/>
 - Provide input through Civiccomment, email, phone, or in-person by December 15, 2017.

Development

- **Purple Line Construction Notices:** Purple Line construction is underway and you can subscribe for updates via e-mail or text message. For the most accurate and up-to-date information, visit purplelinemd.com, find “Construction” and click on “Subscribe for Updates”. The construction hotline is 240-424-5325.
- **Upcoming Meetings:** This feature in the Status and Information reports is provided to ensure awareness of upcoming meetings that may have information or agenda items related to development in or near the Town. Below please find links to the agendas for the Board of License Commissioners, the Planning Board and the Historic Preservation Commission. Please visit the links for additional information.

Board of License Commissioners: October 24, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. (Largo)

https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/AgendaCenter/ViewFile/Agenda/_10242017-952

Planning Board: October 26, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. (Upper Marlboro)

http://mncppc.igmp2.com/Citizens/Detail_Meeting.aspx?ID=1399

Historic Preservation Commission: November 21, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. (Upper Marlboro)

*Agenda not available at the time of report.

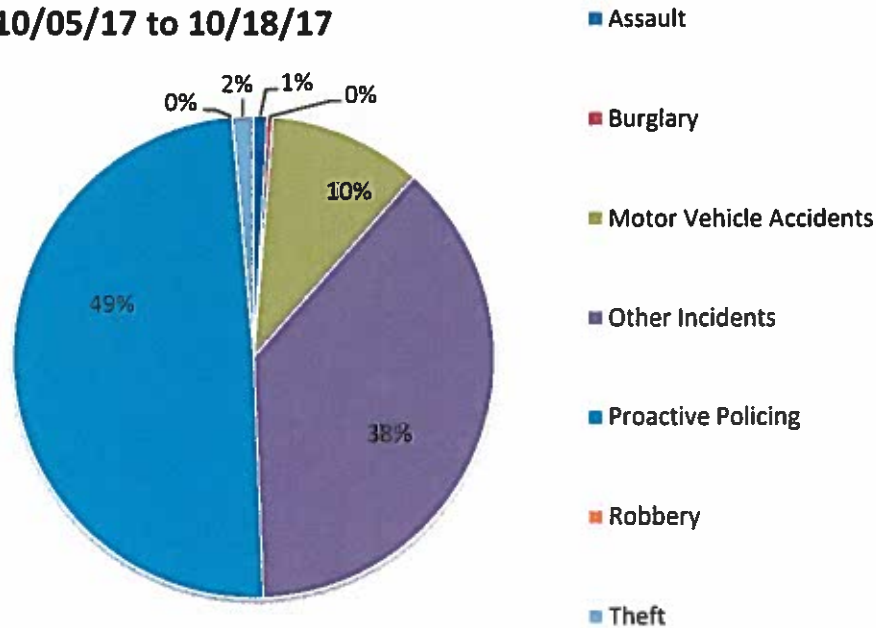
- **Permits Issued:**

Permit Number	Address	Permit For
2017-B-70	5012 Ravenswood Road	12x13 wood deck Raze and Build New Single Family House
2017-B-71	4716 Oliver Street	24 solar panels
2017-B-72	4516 Tuckerman Street	Building Permit Revision Building #4
2017-B-73	4501 Woodberry Street	Gold Gym Fit Out
2017-B-74	4595 Woodberry Street	Airplane Stand
2017-B-75	6621 Baltimore Avenue	6' high trash enclosure
2017-B-76	5309 Riverdale Road	Sound Wall
2017-B-77	6621 Baltimore Avenue	Parking Garage
2017-B-78	4600 Van Buren Street	Install 43 solar panels
2017-B-79	6508 51st Avenue	

Police

October 5 to October 18, 2017 Calls for Service 553

Calls for Service - 553 10/05/17 to 10/18/17



Calls for Service defined: A call for service is any activity performed by a sworn police officer in the performance of their assigned duties. Calls for service covers both proactive activities such as area checks and traffic enforcement; as well as a portion of field investigative reports, traffic accidents, and response to various incidents. Calls received for dispatch are also included in the calls for service total.

Staff are working to enhance reporting capabilities to more accurately differentiate between proactive police actions and responding to dispatched incidents. The above chart illustrates that at a minimum, 271 or 49% of calls for service were proactive actions on the part of the Town's police officers.

Proactive Policing includes: traffic safety, business and residential checks, field interviews, and quality of life issues.

Other Incidents includes: disorderly complaints, fights, suspicious subjects/vehicles, parking complaints, traffic complaints, and citizen assists.

Highlighted reports:

Officers responded to the 5400 block of Powhatan Street for a residential burglary. The suspect forced entry into the home and stole several items. The suspect was identified as a former tenant. An arrest warrant was obtained for the suspect charging him with burglary, theft, and destruction of property.

Officers observed a group of males drinking alcohol in the parking lot of a local liquor store. Officers attempted to disburse the group but the suspect became unruly. Numerous commands were given to the suspect to calm down and leave the area. The suspect refused to sign a criminal citation for disorderly conduct so he was placed under arrest and transported to the Department of Corrections.

Officer Amaya conducted a traffic stop in the 6300 block of Kenilworth Avenue for an inoperable rear tag light. The driver's permit was found to be revoked through the District of Columbia. During, an impound inventory officers discovered loaded .45 caliber handgun under the front passenger seat. The occupants were placed under arrest and transported to the Department of Corrections.

Officers responded to the 5400 block of Jefferson Street for a domestic assault. The victim had visible signs of injury. The suspect was arrested for 2nd degree assault and served with an interim protective order.

Officers conducted a traffic stop in the 4700 block of Queensbury Road. The driver had an active arrest warrant for attempted 2nd degree Murder. The driver was placed under arrest without incident.

Update:

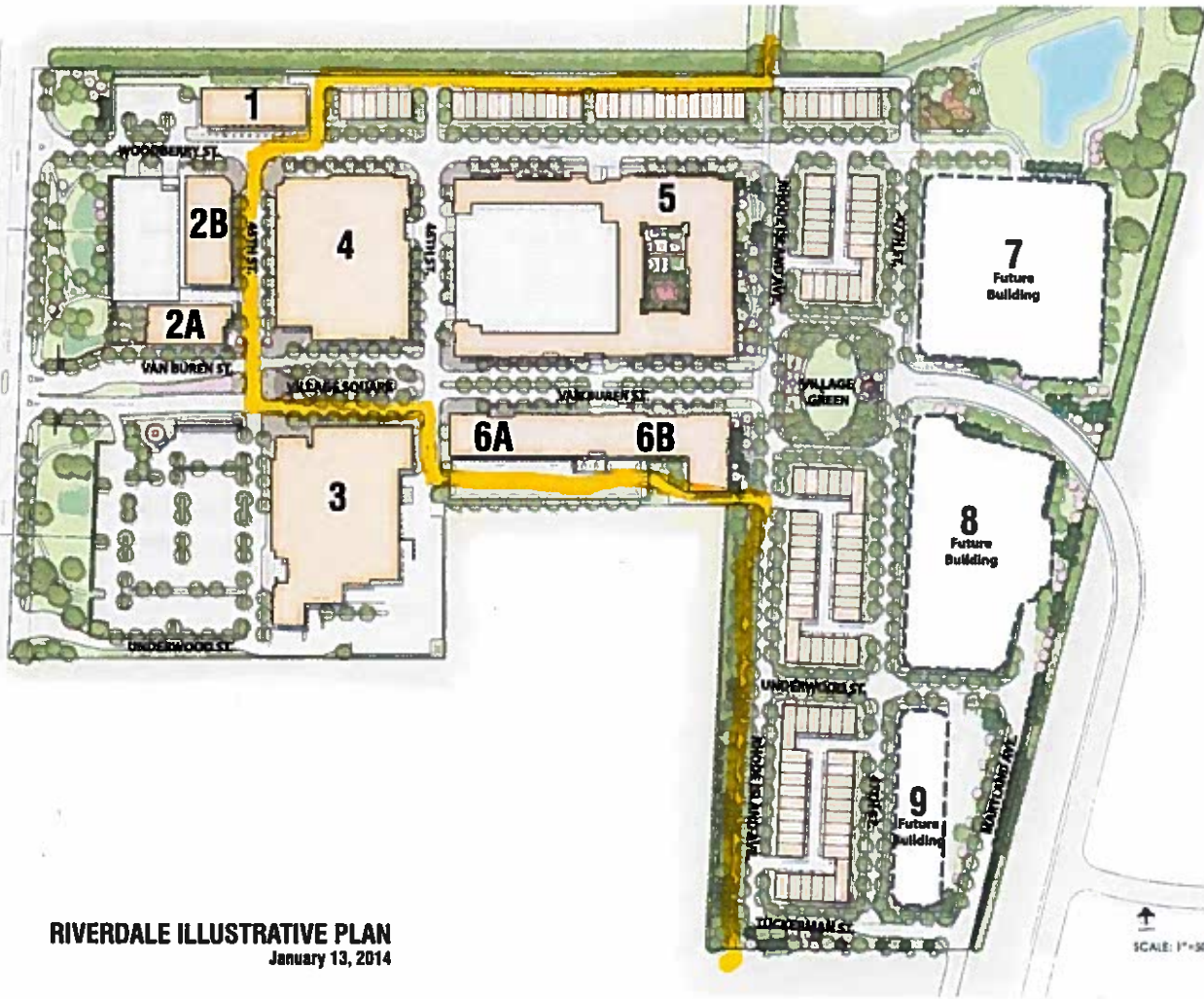
The Command Staff will be attending the International Association of Chiefs of Police conference in Philadelphia, PA. from October 22-24. Each year, IACP brings together renowned keynote speakers, an unmatched educational program, and the largest collection of officer safety and community engagement tools and technology solutions available to law enforcement.

As a reminder with the weather turning cold please don't leave your vehicles running unattended. The police department usually sees an increase in motor vehicle theft during the colder months.

Respectfully submitted,



John N. Lestitan
Town Manager



RIVERDALE ILLUSTRATIVE PLAN
January 13, 2014